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Presidents Report

The calendar moves forward another month, but the chaos and calamity of the oil supply shortages hasn't changed a great deal. Speaking with clubs about how they are managing the current situation, with some looking at doing more social trips within their local area just to keep in contact with members, planned longer trips are in a holding pattern not only because of cost but also availability. As we have spoken before, many outback locations depend on the tourist season to remain open and will be hit the hardest if travel plans don't resume soon.

Hopefully, everyone is aware that Emberfest (CoCo) has been postponed until 2027, a combination of the cost and uncertainty of the fuel situation, and the closure of Mount Victoria led to the hard decision, our quarterly meeting will now be Zoom only on Sunday May 17th. Please keep an eye out for the Zoom invitation in coming weeks.

Behind the scenes, we have a couple of meetings with Parks to finalise (this time it's us dragging our feet), a Podcast to do with Tony Crooks, The ABC Backroads program has reached out for information on travel segment they are doing. The DTU team have been revising and fine tuning the assessment process of the basic certificated 4WD course and our wonderful office team have been busy with the CVS and everything I haven't done.

NEWSFLASH

Exciting news, Macarthur 4wd is once again running a multi club bowling night on the Saturday 27th of June and all clubs are invited to attend. The boys and girls of Mac have a huge night of entertainment and the opportunity to purchase heavily discounted camping gear at one of their major supporters. Make sure you put the date in your club calendar and come and join in the fun. More details will be available soon.
Look forward to catching on Zoom 17th of May.

Cheers
Lee Dunstan
President

***** AFFILIATION RENEWAL IS COMING SOON!! *****

Ensure you check your inbox and/or 'junk' folders.

PLEASE READ THE INVOICE CAREFULLY TO CALCULATE YOUR CLUB'S FEE!!!

Your club pays Affiliation Fee of **$19 PER MEMBER (includes 'Life' members) **UP TO 120** members

Your club pays **$5 FOR EVERY MEMBER for the Insurance Component.

A PAYMENT OF $24 IS NOT YOUR CLUB'S RENEWAL FEE!!!

If you are unsure about the fee for your club, please email Treasurer and/or Office.

Cheers
Tony Ellery
Treasurer

Christmas in July & 50th Anniversary

You are officially invited to the Clubs 50th Anniversary combined Christmas-in-July social weekend.
If there is enough interest, we will be having a 50th anniversary dinner at the Wallabadah Pub on the Friday 24th July.
Camping is available at our camp grounds with camp shelter and toilets. We're in a drought, so please bring enough water, warm weather camping gear etc. Bring your swag/caravan/camper. RSVP for the Saturday night dinner is around the 15th July. Our usual 4wd Funkhana will be up and running early Sunday morning. More details in this newsletter and the next.

Read online : https://archive.org/details/tam-4wd-newsletter-2026-05-may

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Interclub Bowling Night

Come and Join us as we continue to celebrate our 40th year as we compete against other clubs at ten pin Bowling.
Cost $27.00 per person unlimited bowling form 7-10pm arrived at 6pm so that we can be organized to start bowling at 7pm
This promises to be a great family night as we mix and mingle with other clubs
For further information please contact **Elias Wehbe 0407575766**

Invitation to attend Quarterly meeting this SUNDAY at 9AM
ZOOM ONLY

Meeting Agenda HERE - (subject to change on the day).
Previous Quarterly Minutes HERE
Previous Quarterly Financials included in the minutes.

4WD NSW and ACT INC is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
Topic: **May Quarterly Meeting SUNDAY 9AM ZOOM only**
Time: May 17, 2026 09:00 AM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney
Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us
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Hi Members,

I wanted to reach out personally about something I've been working on for the past two years.

I've just completed *The Ultimate Simpson Desert Travel Guide* — a comprehensive PDF ebook of over 250 pages covering more than 70 topics. It's designed to be the most thorough resource available for anyone planning a Simpson Desert crossing, from first-timers to experienced desert travellers.

As you may know, I've done over 20 desert crossings myself and have served as a desert advisor for several organisations — so this is not a quick overview. It goes deep into the details that actually matter out there.

I'd like to offer NSW 4WD Association members a **20% discount,** using the code **4WDNOW** — available for direct purchases through the website:
👉 https://www.simpsondesertguide.com.au/ Available to mid May 2026

Unfortunately, the discount code only applies to direct website purchases. The guide will also be available through a number of other online retailers — including Kobo and Apple Books, though I'm not able to extend the discount through those platforms.

Cheers,
Stefan Fischer
Registered Drone Pilot ARN 1022897
Accredited 4WD Driver Trainer and Assessor

Check out our 4x4 adventures on youtube:
https://www.youtube.com/alloffroadau
https://www.facebook.com/alloffroadau/
https://www.instagram.com/alloffroadau/

Dear Stakeholders

The draft amendment to the Bald Rock and Boonoo Boonoo National Parks Plan of Management is on public exhibition. The draft amendment proposes changes to the plan to recognise the determination of native title, the implementation of the Western Bundjalung Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) and provide an improved visitor experience.

The draft amendment may be viewed at www.environment.nsw.gov.au/get-involved/have-your-say or the National Parks and Wildlife Service Tenterfield office, 10 Miles St, Tenterfield.

You are invited to provide feedback on the draft amendment. Submissions on the draft amendment must be lodged before 5pm on **5 June 2026.** Submissions must be in written form and lodged via:

- the online form at www.environment.nsw.gov.au/get-involved/have-your-say
- email to npws.parkplanning@environment.nsw.gov.au
- mail to Manager, NPWS Planning and Assessment, Locked Bag 5022, Parramatta NSW 2124.

Any personal information you provide will be protected. Further information is available at www.environment.nsw.gov.au/about-us/privacy-and-security.
If you have any questions, please contact me at npws.parkplanning@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely
Barry Hayden
Manager, Planning and Assessment
NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service

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Optional slide out 4 burner BBQ with 9kg gas bottle —$500.
Trailer is a 7x5 (1500 x 2100 by 1550 H).
Currently located in Wollongong area. Please phone 0434520594 - no message's.

JUST IN CASE YOU MISSED IT.....

WEST SYDNEY 4X4

Looking for a venue for your next Club meeting?
West Sydney 4x4 have very generously offered their Lidcombe store for club meetings.
The store will hold up to 40 people and your club is welcome to set up a BBQ for your members in the car park.
Contact office@4wdnow.com.au if you are interested. Please do not contact the store directly.
If your club is small we can set you up with another club to do your meetings together so you can take advantage of this great offer.

A big welcome to our newest members and introducing

Defenderfest 2026

When: October 2nd - 5th 2026
Location: Hervey Bay QLD.
Everyone is welcome and we hope to see you all there.
www.defendersofaustralia.club

Need a ZOOM meeting?

Do you need a zoom meeting for your club?

You are welcome to use the Association account.
Please email Maggie with date, start time and duration.
office@4wdnow.com

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This newsletter is written using information provided by relevant parties.
If I write something that mentions "me or I" and there is no signature
after it then it is a message from me.
If you would like something to be added on behalf of your club
please email office@4wdnow.com.au
Anything can be included as long as it's club based and for the benefit of clubs.
The newsletter is monthly (about the first of each month) but we can do an
extra "special" if there is something that is important that we missed.
- Maggie Thomas.
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